(b) to (d) Contracts for supply of crude oil on Government to Government basis are generally concluded on a year to year basis. The contracts for import of crude oil for the year 1986 from various countries including Saudi Arabia is still under the consideration of the Government of India.

***Suspension* and removal of officers**

2222. SHRI RAMSINGHBHAI PATALIYABHAI RATHVAKOLI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some employees and officials have been charge-sheeted, suspended and removed from service during 1st January, 1985 to 31st October, 1985 from various offices of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural gas on various charges;

(b) if so, the names, status and the details of such employees and officials;

(c) what are the details of the findings and recommendations of enquiry Committees, Commisssion and CBI in this connection;

(d) the action taken on each Report, finding and recommendation; and

(e) the number of employees and officials who have gone to the courts against the action and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Do not arise.

Over charging of prices of drugs

2223. SHRI (MOLANA) ASRARUL HAQ:

SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN:

Will the MJinister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to Drugs Price Control Order 1979 drug manufacturing units having an annual sales turn over up to Rupees Fifty lacs are exempted from the operation of Paras 13 and 14 of the Order;

(b) whether it is a fact that number of units are marketing their formulations without obtaining price approval and over charge the price depite the fact that their sales turn over had exceed Rupees Fifty lakhs for the last three to four years;

(c) whether it is also a fact that number of such instances are within the notice of Government;

(d) if so, since when and what are the reasons for non-action by Government and for allowing the companies to overcharge the poor people of the country; and

(e) by when faire prices will be fixed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A number of such instances have come to the notice of the Government.

(d) and (e) Notices have been issued to a number of units and the action against them is already on in accordance with the due procedure of law.

Shortage of anti T. B. drug

2224. SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the manufacturers who are producing PAS Acid, PAS Sodium, Streptomycin Sulphate, Thiacetazine and Calcium PAS along with licensed and installed capacity of each;

(b) what was the production of each drug of each company during the last thre years, yearwise along with the production for the period ending 31st October 1985;

(c) whether it is a fact that all these drugs ared for the treatment of T.D.1

(d) whether it is a fact that there is a shortage of these drugs and formulators are not getting these bulk drugs;

(e) whether it is also a fact that neither Streptomycin Injection nor INH preparations are available freely in the market and TB patients are facing great hardship; and

(f) what steps Government have taken to make these products available freely?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDER SINGH): (a) and (b) To the extent available details in regard to the bulk drugs referred to in the question are given in the attached Statement.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) to (f) No reports of shortages of Streptomycin and INH fomulations have been received by this Ministry.

Statement

Name of the Drugs/ Companies	A/c Unit	Licensed Capacity	Production (Tonnes) 1982-83	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86 (Upto September)
I Streptomycin						
(i) IDPL	T	85·00	40·19	35·80	27·10	9·10
(ii) HAL		170·00	120·11	111·79	111·68	41·56
(iii) Synbiotics		170·00	79·30	90·72	96·28	44·68
(iv) Alembic Chem		20·00	..	..	..	..
II. *PAS and its Salts*						
(i) IDPL		400·00	102·30	114·55	29·15	12·90
(ii) Biochem Synthetic		100·00	104·40	77·31	76·15	21·10
(iii) Pfizer		110·00	12·60	3·67	8·52	..
(iv) Wander		300·00	26·60	21·46	5·25	4·59
(v) Bio-Evans		120·00	42·50	..	..	..
III. *Thiacetazone*						
(i) Unichem Lab.	T	12·00	21·01	12·40	20·39	10·12
(ii) Bio Evans		30·00	0·06	..	..	..

Productions of Penicillin

2225. SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) names of the companies who are licensed to produce Procain, Potassium and Sodium G. Penicillin along with licensed and installed capacity of each;

(b) what was the production of each unit during the last three years, yearwise, and during 1st April to 31st October, 1985;

(c) what is the estimated requirement of each drug during 1985-86 and wheher the capacity established is sufficient to meet the total requirement;